

What is claimed is:

1. A carrier for chromatography or a pre-treating carrier comprising a carrier material consisting essentially of a metal compound, capable of reacting with a carboxylic acid compound or a carrier material, whose surface is coated with the metal compound, and a carboxylic acid compound linked to the surface of the carrier material.
2. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of claim 1, wherein the metal compound is at least one member selected from the group consisting of aluminum oxide and silver oxide.
3. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of claim 1 or 2, wherein the carrier material is a porous carrier material or a non-porous carrier material.
4. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of claim 1 or 2, wherein the carrier material is at least one member selected from the group consisting of aluminum oxide and silver oxide.
5. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the carrier material is silica, glass, cellulose, a ceramic material, carbon or a cross-linked polymeric compound.
6. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the carrier material is a spherical carrier material, a fiber-like carrier material, a crushed piece-like carrier material or the inner surface of a capillary.
7. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the carboxylic acid compound is a fatty acid having 1 to 40 carbon atoms.
8. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of claim 7, wherein the fatty acid comprises stearic acid.
9. The carrier for chromatography or pre-treating carrier of any one of

claims 1 to 8, wherein the carboxylic acid compound comprises at least two different carboxylic acid compounds.

10. A kit for the preparation of a carrier or a pre-treating carrier for chromatography comprising a carrier material consisting essentially of a metal compound, capable of reacting with a carboxylic acid compound or a carrier material whose surface is coated with the metal compound and the carboxylic acid compound to be linked to the surface of the carrier material.